*Share of duties and taxes in retail selling price of Diesel at Delhi*

| Sl. No. | Particulars | Rs./Litre |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Price without Customs Duty, Excise duty and Sales tax components | 18.37 |
| 2. | Customs Duty (@ 10% included in RTP) Based on RTPs applicable for IInd fortnight of July' 05 | 1.99 (7%) |
| 3. | Excise Duty (levied @ 8% + Rs. 3.25/ litre plus 2% education cess thereon) | 4.93 (17%) |
| 4. | Sales Tax (incl. irrecoverable taxes) | 3.16 (11%) |
| 5. | Total of Customs Duty, Excise Duty and Sales tax components | 10.08 (35%) |
| 6. | Retail Selling Price at Delhi (1+5) | 28.45 |

*Figures in brackets give the components of customs duty, excise duty and sales tax as a % of Sl. No. 6.

**Production of petroleum products**

†906. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL:
PROF. R.B.S. VARMA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of production of petroleum products in the country during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is a decrease in the production of petroleum products in the country during the current year; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) The year-wise production of petroleum products during the last three years is given below:—

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

| Period | Quantity in Million Metric Tonnes (MMT) |
|---|---|
| 2002-03 | 108.7 |
| 2003-04 | 117.6 |
| 2004-05 | 122.7 |

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. There is a 8% shortfall in the first two months of the current financial year *vis-a-vis* the corresponding period of the previous financial year.

The shortfall is due to planned shutdowns of various refineries *viz.* Mumbai Refinery of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited, Kochi Refineries Limited, Numaligarh Refinery Limited, Mangalore Refinery Petrochemicals Limited, Koyali Refinery and Haldia Refinery of Indian Oil Corporation Limited.

**Pilferage of gas from cylinders**

907. SHRI S. ANBALAGAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is large scale pilferage of gas from gas cylinders at distributors level before the delivery of cylinders to customers;

(b) if so, the number of complaints received and the action taken thereon during each of the last three years;

(c) the number of such cases of pilferage *suo-moto* detected by oil companies during each of the last three years through their inspection mechanism, State-wise;

(d) whether any proposal to replace the present aluminium/plastic seals of gas cylinders with tamper proof seals; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) to (c) Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have not reported any large scale pilferage of LPG from cylinders at their distributors' premises before the delivery of cylinders to